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## THE ETERNAL GUILTY.

Did Bryan think the bosses were going to nominate some man and label him "This is a crook"? Does Bryan think that burglars go clattering about with bells on their fingers?

Had he any reason to hope that when put to the vote the representatives of Morgan, Ryan, and Belmont would openly go on record branding themselves or their friends as enemies of the country?

Did he think that with only two bits in the pot men with pat hands would waste time betting against a bob-tailed flush?

Does he think that an association of hold-up men and safe-crackers would refuse to pass a resolution indorsing their own honesty?

Does he think when the campaign is on and the charge is made the Democratic candidate represents Big Business he can convince the people of the country by saying "Oh, no! Did not the Baltimore convention pass a resolution that it would not nominate such a man?"

## KOENIG BREAKS SILENCE.

The silence which has hung over the Hon. George Koenig, of Maryland, has at last been broken. It was not in the furore and fever of the forum, however. It was not even in a meeting of the District committee. It was in the nature of a signed statement given out to the press on the subject of the American Navy.

With the modesty which sits upon him as lightly as a flower he insists that he "does not know how many cruisers or torpedo boats" we now have, and adds: "This is, perhaps, a pardonable negligence on my part."

A mere detail, as Bret Harte said of the plot in a play. Congressman Koenig could not be accused of negligence even if he confessed that he thought we still fought with flint locks and musketons. He is ever and always for the essentials. He favors two battleships and his explanation is that he is a party man, "and never have I voted against my party organization."

There speaks the real Koenig, whose fidelity has made his name illustrious. When they are built they will be Democratic battleships, and if either of them ever gets into trouble—should start a scrap and become impounded for example—Uncle George will be ready to go bail, without looking further into the trivial merits of the case than to assure himself that the fighting machine has been loyal to the organization. If provisions should run low in the ward room, the mess may count upon the Baltimore statesman to send around a side of bacon and a case of Klosterbrau before the pangs of hunger have eaten far.

The American Navy is not a subject on which Congressman Koenig usually discourses, but it is pleasant to hear from him on any subject. His self-suppression since he has been in Washington—or more properly speaking, since he was chosen to come to Washington—has robbed us of much of the cheerfulness and piquancy which we had a right to expect.

## PARKER IGNORES TAFT.

The function of a temporary chairman of a convention is to sound the "keynote" of the campaign in which his party is about to engage. The plan of battle is outlined by him; the point of attack is indicated by him; the issues upon which his party accepts combat are defined by him. That is his sole and exclusive duty. He has no other reason for being.

Judge Alton B. Parker, as temporary chairman of the Democratic national convention, sounded the "keynote" to which the Democratic campaign is to be pitched this year. He sounded it not only in the capacity of a Democrat, but, what is of equal significance, as the direct and confidential representative of Big Business, machine politics, and the bosses.

It will go down in history as the first "keynote" of a party out of power, which, while replete with invective and denunciation, made no attack upon the party in power and ignored the head of that party, who is a candidate for re-election.

The keynote of Chairman Parker's "keynote" was: "One of our opportunities in this campaign is to lead the fight against a third term." He began and closed his speech with an attack upon Roosevelt. All in between was an attack upon Roosevelt. The third party, the party of progressives, was the party and the influence that challenged Parker's attention. It was what Roosevelt did while President that formed the burden of Parker's complaint.

Taft's Administration, save for a brief mention of the tariff, had never existed. The Republican party, as now constituted and controlled, is not a factor in the coming campaign. There is not a reference, even by implication, in this Democratic "keynote" that would lead anyone depending upon it

for information to suspect that Taft is a candidate at all.

The Democratic party is girding its loins to fight Roosevelt, not Taft. It is marshaling its forces to give battle to the progressive party, not to the Republican party. What is true of the Democratic party is doubly true of Big Business and Special Privilege and the Bosses.

There can be but one interpretation to this attitude of Democracy and Big Business. As Democrats, they do not regard the Republican party and Taft as strong enough to cut any figure in this campaign, and they do recognize the existence and strength of the progressive party as a partisan antagonist; as representatives of Special Privilege, they are satisfied with Taft's Administration and the present organization of the Republican party; but they do fear the election of Roosevelt, the supremacy of the progressive party, and the rule of the people.

Had there been any doubt that the approaching campaign will be waged between the progressive party, headed by Roosevelt, and the Democratic party, headed by the nominee at Baltimore, between the masses and Special Privilege, the "keynote" of Chairman Parker removed the doubt.

## CAN HE RIDE THE STORM?

When Mr. Bryan seized the colors of progressivism which no one else cared to carry at Baltimore and led the forlorn fight against Parker's selection as temporary chairman he gave evidence of placing principle above party politics.

When he refused to accept, first the permanent chairmanship of the convention, and then the chairmanship of the platform committee upon the ground that he wanted to play "national rather than ward politics," it was the Commoner rather than the Democrat who acted.

But when last night he introduced a resolution pledging the Baltimore convention not to nominate any candidate "who is the representative of or under obligations to J. Pierpont Morgan, Thomas F. Ryan, August Belmont, or any other member of the privilege-hunting and favor-seeking class" he took a step that will either make or break him politically.

Of course, New York, under Boss Murphy's direction, voted for Bryan's resolution; and Illinois, under Sullivan; and Indiana, under Taggart. Even Virginia, in the midst of whose delegation sat Thomas F. Ryan himself, voted for it. The irony of this spectacle measures up the smug assurances of Penrose and Barnes that the Republican national committee would decide all contests upon their merit; it surpassed the irony of Parker thundering in the index against predatory wealth and Special Privilege in his "keynote" speech.

It is apparent that the passage of this resolution is not conclusive proof of the independence of the Baltimore convention of Wall Street control. That proof can be and will be furnished only when the convention actually nominates progressive candidates and adopts a progressive platform. The doing of a thing rings truer than the promise of doing it.

The burden now rests upon Mr. Bryan to hold the convention true to its promise. He cannot now submit to the selection of a reactionary, of a man dominated by Special Privilege, without stultifying himself and throwing to the winds all his preachments of sixteen years.

The Bosses were ready to promise him what his resolution asked. Will they be as ready to deliver the goods? If not, will he be able to indict first the nominee, and then impeach the convention as a whole of breaking its faith and repudiating its promise by its act?

It is a double task that confronts him. The convention is on record. His resolution has been passed and entered on the minutes. He has placed himself at the head of the whirlwind and undertaken to guide the storm. If he succeeds, he is a man greater than his party, whether he chooses to stay within it or go without it. If he fails his power as leader will begin to wane. It is the hope not only of millions within his party, but of millions upon whom the yoke of party regularity rests lightly, that he will emerge from the maelstrom as he went in—the Peerless Leader!

## HORSE'S ANCESTOR FOUND.

Scientists who are interested in the fossil remains of prehistoric life have made a find in the shale fields on the desert twenty-eight miles east of Mina, Nev., which promises to be of incalculable value. The discoverers of the treasure were members of the geological research department of the University of California, and they are anxious that the Smithsonian Institution should send out an expedition to make a thorough study of the ancient remains. Fossils eighteen feet high, it is said, may be seen cropping out of the heart of the desert, far from any human habitation. The remains of an extinct camel, dating from what the scientists describe as the Miocene period, have already been obtained, and, what is regarded with the greatest interest of all, the bones of a three-toed horse have also been discovered.

The layman who has never taken the trouble to study the processes of evolution is usually surprised to learn that the horse walks on the end of what is in effect his single toe, and that in the course of the ages he has lost the four other toes with which he was once supplied. In the course of development the toes were reduced to three, of which the splint bones he still retains are vestigial structures. Even this was many ages ago, and the specimen which has just been uncovered in the Nevada desert is estimated to be more than 5,000,000 years old. The horse in those early days was about the size of a lamb. That it was really the progenitor of the horse of today is in part proven by the teeth, which have also been found in excellent preservation.

While the full significance of the find can only be appreciated or understood by the specialist, the public realizes in a general way that a flood of light may be thrown upon the early history of organic life by these fossils found in what was once a tropical sea, and the careful examination of them by the Smithsonian Institution, if it takes up the work, will be followed with great interest.

## TWO STEAMBOATS NEEDED TO CARRY BANKER PICNICKERS

Tenth Annual Excursion of Washington Chapter to Be Big Success.

So many tickets have been sold for the tenth annual excursion of the Washington Chapter of the American Institute of Banking tonight that a second steamboat will be utilized to carry the crowds to Marshall Hall. The boats will leave at 6:30 and 8:45.

F. G. Addison, Jr., is chairman of the excursion committee which is divided into an advisory committee and an "active" committee.

The members of the advisory committee are: J. C. Brooks, A. B. Claxton, C. Louis Eckloff, Joshua Evans, Jr., H. V. Haynes, Arthur Herbert, Jr., Ernest E. Herrell, S. J. Henry, A. E. Nevius, John Poole, J. M. Riordan, W. McK. Stowell, E. P. Wilson, and E. S. Wolfe.

Active Workers.

The active committee includes the following: J. H. Ball, W. R. Baum, C. T. Beaumont, R. M. Berry, H. C. Blanton, B. A. Brierley, C. E. Bright, C. E. Carr, Arthur Carr, J. L. Chappin, D. A. Clark, J. H. Collier, F. B. Devereux, C. H. Doherty, Jr., R. J. Dorsey, J. D. Faber, J. L. Fawcett, E. S. Fisher, J. L. Fox, J. E. Gheisel, J. G. Glick, F. B. Gilmore, J. B. Gilpin, C. C. Oke, H. L. Grayson, H. W. Griffith, O. H. Harlan, L. Helston, P. A. Hines, Jr., J. D. Howard, C. F. Keene, E. T. Love, J. E. Madden, D. H. Manning, W. M. McCurdy, Charles Merchant, A. C. Muddiman, A. M. Nyman, M. Otterback, J. L. Perry, H. W. Pettit, J. T. Petty, H. J. Phelps, W. M. Phillips, W. L. Pool, W. G. Quinn, L. Russell, J. A. Slabotka, L. A. Slaughter, M. E. Slindee, D. C. Smithson, H. C. Smith, J. L. Walker, H. P. White, J. C. Williams, H. E. Wilson, and W. H. Zepp.

Officers of Chapter.

The Washington chapter has for its officers during the year 1912-13: E. E. Herrell, of the National Capital Bank, as president; C. H. Doing, Washington Loan and Trust Company, vice president; J. Cassin Williams, Kings National Bank, secretary; Ernest T. Love, American National Bank, treasurer; E. Birkle, United States Trust Company, assistant secretary; D. H. Manning, Home Savings Bank, secretary; J. H. Ball, of the Home Savings Bank, L. C. Eckloff, of the Washington National Bank, Arthur Herbert, Jr., Burke & Herbert, Arthur M. Nyman, Second National Bank; W. W. Spaid, Hibbs and Company.

## ORGANIZE BODY TO EXPLOIT THIS CITY

Temporary Officers Appointed to Work With Civic Associations.

An attempt is being made to organize a committee to be known as the Washington development committee of 200 to co-operate with the Board of Trade, the Chamber of Commerce, and other organizations in exploiting Washington to the country. The executive committee of the Board of Trade is now considering a resolution to appoint a committee to represent that body in the new committee.

The officers of the committee are announced as H. C. Bush-Brown, chairman; Harvey W. Wiley, vice chairman; and Charles Freeman Johnson, secretary.

The committee plans to work through the organizations of the country. Temporary offices are at 512 Maryland building, and it is announced that permanent quarters will be engaged in the Woodward building.

## Pastor Wins Race At Sunday School Picnic

The annual Sunday school picnic of Gunton-Temple Memorial Church was held at Dyke last Wednesday. The married men's race was won by Rev. C. Everett Granter, pastor of the church; the potato race by Raymond Leeth; the fat ladies' race by Mrs. Leeth; the 50-yard dashes by Gordon Young, George Thrall, Mildred Bromwell, and Myrtle Wright. W. S. Warren and H. Magraw were victors in the three-legged race, and W. Darling and W. S. Warren of the standing broad jump.

A baseball game was played between the "New Nationals," captained by H. Magraw, and the "New Senators," with Colman White, No. 2, fifth and G streets northwest; Minola Tribe, No. 14; Masonic Hall, Anacostia; Idaho Council, No. 1, Northeast Temple, Twelfth and H streets northeast.

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## In the Mail Bag

Readers of The Times are invited to use this department as their own to write freely and frankly with the assurance that no letter not objectionable in language will be denied publication. Letters must not, however, exceed 250 words in length, and must be written only on one side of the paper. Letters must bear the names and addresses of the writers as evidence of good faith, but the names will not be made public without the consent of the contributors. Address MAIL BAG EDITOR OF THE TIMES.

## Always Signs His Name and His Critics Must Do Likewise or Go Unanswered.

To the Editor of THE TIMES: Every article from my pen which has appeared in The Times has been over my own signature. When a man attempts to criticize one on the stand I take, and refuses to do so over his own name; he fires from ambush, which proves his cowardice. If he will come out in the open so I can see if the game is worth the powder, I will inform him how Roosevelt got the great majority of which he boasts, which was no honor to him nor to any genuine American citizen. B. F. RATNAS.

## Sanfratist Tells the Sanfratists They Compromise Dignity By Their Demonstrations.

To the Editor of THE TIMES: I am surprised at the sanfratists forming a parade and going through the streets of Baltimore. Nothing is ever accomplished by a sacrifice of dignity. In this performance both dignity and respect are sacrificed. I believe in equal rights, and the sanfratists should not ask it as a favor, but demand it as a right, and be perfectly determined to get it. Let the good work go on of cleansing this city morally. L. H. M.

## One Steam Roller May Cure Ills Created by the Other.

To the Editor of THE TIMES: "Similia similibus Curantur!" The steam roller at Chicago was the cause of a serious disturbance in the body politic, but it is possible that another steam roller, used in the same way, could cure the ills created by the first. The Democratic convention at Baltimore should nominate a reactionary, the progressive element of the party will surely be alienated. It will make little difference whether they put a second Democratic ticket in the field or not. The Democratic vote will be divided, and with a divided Democratic vote Colonel Roosevelt will be sure of election. What will be the result if the progressives control the convention? C. E. M.

## Suggests That Rooming Houses Should Be Licensed and Inspected.

To the Editor of THE TIMES: A recent communication to the Mail Bag on licensing and inspecting rooming houses in Washington touches upon a subject of vital importance to the well-being of the city. If the "inspecting" could be enforced honestly and fairly, the moral conditions in some of them are deplorable. Proprietors close their eyes to conditions, in consideration of monthly or bi-monthly payment. And this is not the case alone in districts which usually segregate the immoral, but in respectable localities, this state of affairs is the most honest people obtain. And, if one raises her voice in protest, she may be politely "informed" that it is none of her business, or words to that effect. It is the business of all honest people to fight for morality, to speak plainly, and to improve, if possible, existing conditions when wrong. The extraordinary part of it is that all old women, and middle-aged women, are as often the offenders as younger women. The writer writes of facts as they are, and has often thought of addressing your columns with a plea to the public voice. There are rooming houses in Washington today, passing under the protection of this state of affairs, which are filthy, gutted, cleaned out. And, as pernicious as the saloon may be considered by many, it is, at least, in the open, and is to be seen. It is to be seriously doubted if its harm is as abhorrent as the vices that lurk in some of these houses, where the women and boarding houses in Washington, to license these rooming and boarding houses would doubtless be a step in the right direction. It is a business, and if they abuse their privileges, either as to contaminating immoralities or attacking the worthy under their roof.

## Conscience Fund Gets Regular Maine Mite

The Treasury Department has received a small, monthly contribution of \$2 from Kittery, Me. For the past seven months a citizen of this little Maine city, has been sending once a month to the White House a contribution of a dollar or two to the conscience fund. No note of explanation ever accompanies the money, though this writer deprecates troubling the officials so frequently. "It is a hard rub to save this little sum," says the letter, "so I hope you will pardon me as I wish to get all this money where it rightfully belongs as soon as possible." The \$2 was turned into the conscience fund.

## A. Wilbanks Speaks.

The Wilbanks Evangelical and Industrial Institute held commencement exercises at Friendship Baptist Church, First and H streets southwest, last night. The chief address was delivered by William Wilbanks, president of the institute.

## Western Railroads Urge Commerce Court's Need

Representing about 100 railroads in the capital territory in the southwest, R. S. Davis and a committee protested to President Taft Wednesday against the abolition of the Commerce Court, threatened by an amendment to the legislative, executive, and judicial bill. The railroads declare that if this tribunal is abolished they will have no appeal from the decisions of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

It is expected that the President will veto the measure.

## Department Denies Reid Will Resign

Newspaper dispatches received from London, reviving the story that Whitelaw Reid will vacate his post as American ambassador to Great Britain this fall, were termed absurd at the State Department today.

William Phillips, first secretary of the American embassy at London, has also denied the story.

## ARMY AND NAVY ORDERS

Ensign R. G. RISLEY, detached Washington; to Connecticut.  
Ensign H. W. STARK, to Hartford, Conn.; to Connecticut.  
Paymaster's Clerk A. S. BRENT, appointed; to receiving ship, Puget Sound, Wash.

## MARINE CORPS.

Lieutenant Colonel R. H. LANE, A. A. and I, seven days' leave from July 5.  
Major CARL GAMBOREAN, detached headquarters July 15; to Camp Elbert, C. Z. Panama.  
Captain J. C. BEAUMONT, detached headquarters July 15; to Camp Elbert, C. Z. Panama.  
Captain E. W. BANKER, A. Q. M., detached Marine Barracks, Honolulu; to Marine detachment, American legation, Peking.  
Captain GEORGE VAN ORDEN, one month leave from June 27.  
Captain H. D. SOUTH, twenty-five days' leave from July 3.  
Lieutenant D. P. Hall, one month leave from July 2.

## MOVEMENTS OF VESSELS.

Arrived—Rocket at Washington, Nashville at Media, Luna, Co. Culco at New York, Dolphin at Gloucester, Mars at Portsmouth, Minnesota at Philadelphia, Shubrick, Wilkes at Charleston.

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## CAPITAL SINGERS MUCH TAKEN WITH CARUSO'S BALLAD

New York Hit First Heard Here in Composer's Voice on Phonograph Record.

Unusual interest has been aroused in the ranks of local singers and musicians by the recent reproductions of Caruso's own song composition, "Dreams of Long Ago," on the Victor talking machine.

When the charming ballad was first introduced at one of the New York playhouses about a month ago it made an instant hit, and has since gradually grown to a great musical success. The ballad is being sung in "The Million," and records of it giving renditions in Caruso's own voice are being issued by the talking machine company to be ready for the month of July.

The field of usefulness of the talking machine is rapidly widening, and through these instruments singers and musicians in this and other cities who are unable to hear the noted voice of the day first hand are brought to the proper appreciation of them by records as if emitted directly from the songbirds' lips.

Two other wonderful reproductions of the voices of great singers are already prepared for the musical ear of the masses. They are the "Lost Chord" and the famous old song, "Silver Threads Among the Gold." In the first mentioned Caruso, with his wonderful tenor, gives in English a remarkable rendition of Sullivan's immortal masterpiece, while in the rendition of "Silver Threads Among the Gold" John McCormack, by a splendid tenor rendition, makes the listener readily understand why the old melody never loses its charm.

## ORPHANS PLEASED BY MOTOR OUTING

Trip to Glen Echo, With Accompanying Treat, Delights Children.

Orphan children who have now enjoyed a ride down the river, thanks to the Elks, and a motor trip to Glen Echo, through the kindness of the Automobile Club of Washington, are now ready for whatever form of outdoor entertainment any other kind-hearted set of folk will arrange for them.

Even if no more picnics come these children will long cherish the memory of the two excursions fixed for them in the summer of 1912. Yesterday's trip to Glen Echo was a first-class run. No automobile was so kind as to have a puncture or blow-out en route, and none of the children met any mishaps at the park. The quantities of ice cream and candy eaten were prodigious, but inquiry at the various restaurants failed to disclose any case of stomach ache today.

Members of the Automobile Club who did the work of arranging for the cars and who chaperoned the children at Glen Echo feel well repaid for their labors.

## May Not Name Howard University Head Today

Prospects of a new head of Howard University being named at the meeting of the board of trustees this afternoon were considered slim this morning, the expectation being that at least one meeting besides today will be necessary. The new president will succeed Bishop W. P. Thirkield, who resigned because he was named Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

The trustees will assemble in the Carnegie Library at the university at 2:30, and will be called to order by the chairman of the committee, Chief Justice S. J. Peelle, of the United States Court of Claims.

The other members of the committee are Bishop Thirkield, Dr. C. H. Richards, New York; Dr. Marcus Wheatland, New York; Dr. F. J. K. Moorland, Dr. John R. Francis, both of Washington; John T. Emien, Philadelphia.

Among the names which will be proposed to the committee are those of Roland P. Falkner, of the Census Bureau, and Dr. Thomas Jesse Jones, of the United States Bureau of Education.

## Concerts Today

By the U. S. Soldiers' Home Band, Bandstand at 4 o'clock.

JOHN S. M. ZIMMERMANN, Director.

March, "W. M. B.".....Hall  
Overture, "Stabat Mater".....Rosini  
Characteristic, "Dance of the Grisettes".....Gruenewald  
Selection, "The Pink Lady" (requested).....Caryl  
Intermezzo, "The Troubadour".....Jowell

Excerpts from "The Paradise of Mahomet".....Ganne-Planquette  
Waltz Suite, "My Lady Laughter".....Blanke  
Finale, "Greeting to Bangor".....Hall  
"The Star-Spangled Banner".....

By Fifteenth Cavalry Regiment I, Fort Myer, Va., at 8 p. m.